

**Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.**

**“Remember! Celebrate! Act!  
A Day On, Not A Day Off!”**



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## Speaker

Dr. Myra M. Shird, highly regarded as one of North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University's more popular Speech Communication professors, is known for her uncanny ability to motivate through speaking. She has spoken nationally before numerous professional groups on a wide range of topics.

After working in corporate management and lobbying in Washington, DC, Dr. Shird decided to reduce her internal conflict and returned to her first love, academia. Dr. Shird is an avid scholar in issues of cultural relevance, such as Politics, Social Responsibility, the Hip Hop Culture, and Race and Gender Disparities.

Dr. Shird received a bachelor's of arts degree in Radio, Television and Motion Pictures and a second B.A., in Speech Communication from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1986. She completed her master's of arts degree in Speech Communication at San Diego State University, San Diego, CA. Dr. Shird has a Post Baccalaureate Certificate in Women's Studies and Ph.D. in Curriculum and Teaching with a specialization in Cultural Studies, both from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

Dr. Shird has taught in the School of Communication at San Diego State University and in the Department of Communication Studies at UNC-Greensboro. She is currently an Assistant Professor in the Department of Journalism and Mass Communication with the Division of Speech at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University. Dr. Shird also serves as the Coordinator for the department's Speech Division. In addition, Shird has authored a Speech Communication textbook entitled, *The Fundamentals of Speech Communication: A Socially Responsible Viewpoint*.

## Program

Mistress of Ceremonies	Mrs. Owelta Freeman General Engineering Section
Welcome	COL Charles R. Alexander, Jr. Commander
Invocation	Mr. Tony Carter Programs Management Office
BREAKFAST	
Introduction of Speaker	Mrs. Gloria Price Operations Division
Keynote Speaker	Dr. Myra M. Shird NC A&T State University
Closing Remarks	Mrs. Owelta Freeman General Engineering Section